

## STATE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** April 11, 2019

**TIME:** 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Department of Workforce Services  
South County Employment Center, RM 114  
5735 South Redwood Road Taylorsville, UT 84123

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	Blair Carruth	Jon Pierpont	<b>EXCUSED:</b> Shawn Milne
	Brian Olmstead	Mark Brasher	
	Bryan Flake	Megen Ralphs	<b>ABSENT:</b> Abby Osborne
	Connie Nielsen	Robert Freebairn	Bruce Rigby
	Dave Dixon	Roger Prewett	Diane Lewis
	David Gray	Sabrina Depenbrock	Jeff Worthington
	Deanna Hopkins	Sarah Brenna	Joey Carlson
	Elizabeth Garbe	Scott Romney	Lance Lehnhof
	Gary Harter	Stephen Mullins	Lisa Laird
	Greg Paras	Tannen Graham	Patricia Tueller
	Jared Haines	Wally Trotter	
	Jim Boyd		
	Joey Gilbert		

**QUORUM:** Yes

<b>OTHER ATTENDEES:</b>	Aaron Thompson	Eric Roux	MarJean Elder
	Aimee Langone	John Talcott	Max Backlund
	Alexia Murphy	Kim Bartel	Melisa Stark
	Amira Mijic	Lance Soffe	Michael Barnes
	Carolyn Parsons	Leah Lobato	Mike Miller
	Cory Pearson	Lindsay Cropper	Rob Behunin
	Darren Hotton	Liz Carver	Sandy Terry
	David Busk	Loggins Merrill	Yvette Woodland
	Emily Rosh	Lynn Purdin	Zac Whitwell
	Emily Stirling	Mahal Roesser	

**ACTION ITEM(S):**

	ASSIGNED TO:	DUE BY:
1. Contact Mahal Roesser at <a href="mailto:mroesser@utah.gov">mroesser@utah.gov</a> to register for the Utah Economic Summit on May 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2019.	Board	ASAP
2. Contact Kim Bartel at <a href="mailto:kbartel@utah.gov">kbartel@utah.gov</a> to participate in the One-Stop Center Certification on May 22, 2019.	Board	As Needed
3. Contact Kim Bartel at <a href="mailto:kbartel@utah.gov">kbartel@utah.gov</a> to view the preliminary results from the Employer Engagement Survey.	Board	As Needed
4. Submit 2019 Golden Key Awards nominations using the <a href="#">online form</a> or contact Leah Lobato at <a href="mailto:leahlobato@utah.gov">leahlobato@utah.gov</a> .	Board	5/24/19

**1. WELCOME AND OPENING BUSINESS**

State Board Chair Megan Ralphs called to order the State Workforce Development Board (SWDB) General Meeting at 1:02 p.m., Thursday, April 11, 2019 at the office of the Department of Workforce Services in Taylorsville, Utah.

**A. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS**

- i. Stephen Mullins attended for Lisa Angiotti and Scott Romney for Ginger Chinn.
- ii. State Board Chair Megan Ralphs introduced: Mahal Roesser, Administrative Assistant for Director Liz Carver; Loggins Merrill, Assistant Director of the Workforce Development, Program and Training Division; and announced the Utah Economic Summit on May 17, 2019.

**B. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 17, 2019 MINUTES**

State Board Chair Megan Ralphs called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the January 17, 2019 State Workforce Development Board General Meeting.

**MOTION:** Deanna Hopkins

**SECOND:** Tannen Graham

*Approve:* All

*Oppose:* None

**2. WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) PARTNERSHIP UPDATE**

Governor's Designee and Executive Director Jon Pierpont introduced two updates on: 1) strategies for hiring veterans; and the 2) Choose to Work Pilot.

**A.** Mike Miller recognized John Talcott's son who returned from deployment and then led the presentation on Veteran Employment Services.

- i. Increased veteran unemployment rates led to a strategy reset.
- ii. 2,327 employers are Utah Patriot Partners (UPP) and pledged to hire veterans first.
- iii. Cory Pearson discussed the Utah Patriot partnerships, the pending revamp of this pledge program, and the Department of Workforce Services' [21 Reasons to Hire a Vet](#).

**B.** Governor's Designee and Executive Director Jon Pierpont surveyed the Board for UPP participation and volunteers to spread awareness among business and non-profit sectors regarding the UPP pledge program revamp.

- i. UPP pledge not established with BusyBusy.
- ii. Board Chair Megan Ralphs, Mike Miller, Cory Pearson, Roger Prewett, Deanna Hopkins and Jim Boyd volunteered to help promote the UPP pledge program revamp.

**C.** Aaron Thompson and Sandy Terry led the presentation on WIOA Partnership Success.

- i. Fifty-three placements made and more than 112 individuals referred to the program.
- ii. Employers can contact Sarah Brenna, Aaron Thompson, Sandy Terry or Leah Lobato for more information.

### 3. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Director Nathan Harrison (on behalf of Kathy Bounous) updated the Board on bills passed in the 2019 legislative session: HB 47 – [Early Childhood Coordination Bill](#); HB 181 – [Tax Credit Amendments](#); HB 280 – [Apprenticeship Opportunity Awareness](#); SB 34 – [Affordable Housing Modifications](#); and SB 96 – [Medicaid Expansion Adjustments](#).

### 4. PUBLIC MEETING TRAINING – DEFERRED TO JULY 11, 2019

### 5. CHAMBER RURAL WORKFORCE NETWORK

Max Backlund and Rob Behunin led the presentation on the Chamber Rural Workforce Network, explained the partnership between the Salt Lake Chamber and Utah Department of Workforce Services, and held a demonstration of the [Chamber Rural Workforce Network website](#).

- A. Board member Tannen Graham inquired about the ability to integrate job postings and post on multiple websites without visiting each individual site. Employers can contact Director Liz Carver of DWS Workforce Development for this accommodation.

### 6. INTERGENERATIONAL POVERTY COUNTY PLANS UPDATE

Dave Busk defined Intergenerational Poverty and updated the Board on the [Welfare Reform Commission Five-and 10-Year Plan Progress](#) goals focused on: Early Childhood Development; Education; Health; and Family Economic Stability.

- A. The Welfare Reform Commission reached out to the following 13 Utah counties and discussed efforts to develop a plan: 1) Beaver; 2) Carbon; 3) Grand; 4) Iron; 5) Kane; 6) Millard; 7) Piute; 8) San Juan; 9) Sevier; 10) Sanpete; 11) Utah; 12) Washington; and 13) Weber.
- B. Dave Busk presented [IGP Data](#) for each county and discussed the Integrative Community Action Now (ICAN) pilot, which provides families with a resource integration coach.

### 7. PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

#### A. SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Darren Hotton led the presentation on the Senior Community Service Employment Program, discussed program eligibility, and customer success stories.

#### B. PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION SERVICES

Aimee Langone led the presentation on Pre-Employment Transition Services and discussed the WIOA Five-Core Pre-Employment Transition Services: 1) Job Exploration Counseling; 2) Workplace Readiness Training; 3) Counseling on Postsecondary Education; 4) Self-Advocacy Instruction; and 5) Work-Based Learning Experiences. Employers can contact Aimee Langone or Sarah Brenna for more information.

### 8. COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSION

#### A. APPRENTICESHIPS COMMITTEE

Board Member and Committee Chair Joey Gilbert updated the Board on activities of the Apprenticeship Committee and SB 138 – [Utah Apprenticeship Act](#).

- i. Weber State University launched the [2019 Design and Build Day](#) on March 28, open to 9<sup>th</sup> grade to college students interested in a career pathway in building design and construction.
- ii. Announced the Women in Trade Job Fair scheduled on Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at the West Valley Cultural Center.

**B. YOUTH COMMITTEE**

Board Member and Committee Chair Wally Trotter updated the Board on activities of the Youth Committee and discussed work-based learning sites, outreach efforts, promotion of services offered, and upcoming publications.

**C. SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES COMMITTEE**

Board Member and Committee Chair Dave Dixon updated the Board on activities of the Services to Individuals with Disabilities Committee

- i. Approximately 40 businesses and 240 job seekers attended the Workability Job Fair.
- ii. Announced the [45<sup>th</sup> Annual Golden Key Awards](#) scheduled on August 21, 2019 and [nomination form](#) online.

**D. CAREER PATHWAYS COMMITTEE**

Board Chair Megan Ralphs introduced the new Committee Chair for Career Pathways, Sabrina Depenbrock.

- i. Board Member and Committee Chair Sabrina Depenbrock discussed the committee's key objectives, awareness efforts, and partnership improvements.

**E. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

Board Member and Committee Chair Gary Harter announced the revised assessment tool and the next One-Stop Center certification scheduled on May 22, 2019 in Ogden.

- i. Board and Committee Member Deanna Hopkins discussed the survey tool, employer endorsements, and upcoming publications in the June 2019 UI newsletter.

**9. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OUTREACH UPDATE**

Yvette Woodland discussed events in the [January – March 2019 Quarterly Workforce and Employer Support Updated Workforce Outreach Development](#) and introduced Lyndsey Stram, Economist for the DWS Wasatch Front South service areas.

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. [The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Utah Economic Summit on May 17, 2019 hosted by Governor Gary R. Herbert.](#)
- B. [Review Utah Patriot Partner documentation and identify efforts to support this pledge.](#)

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT**

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Committee Chair Megan Ralphs called for a motion to adjourn the General Meeting of the State Workforce Development Board on April 11, 2019 at the office of the Department of Workforce Services in Taylorsville, Utah at 3:00 p.m.

**MOTION:** Joey Gilbert

**SECOND:** Roger Prewett

*Approve:* All

*Oppose:* None